

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Keiichi YOKOYAMA et al

SERIAL NO: New U.S. Application

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MICROBIAL TRANSGLUTAMINASE

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- ☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/448,310 filed November 24, 1999 which is a Continuation of Serial No. 09/109,063 filed July 2, 1998 is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
JAPAN	9-180010	JULY 4, 1997

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☒ was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/448,310 filed November 24, 1999.
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
(B) Application Serial No.(s)
 - ☐ are submitted herewith
 - ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee

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